Comment date: June 28, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

29. Portland General Electric Company [Docket No. ES96-30-000]

Take notice that on June 12, 1996, Portland General Electric Company filed an application, under § 204 of the Federal Power Act, seeking authorization to issue short-term debt, from time to time, in an aggregate principal amount of not more than \$250 million outstanding at any one time, during the period August 1, 1996 through July 31, 1998, with a final maturity date no later than July 31,

Comment date: July 11, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

Standard Paragraph

E. Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 18 CFR 385.214). All such motions or protests should be filed on or before the comment date. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr., Acting Secretary.

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Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 7481-068]

New York State Dam Limited Partnership; Notice of Availability of **Draft Environmental Assessment**

June 14, 1996.

A draft environmental assessment (DEA) is available for public review. The DEA was prepared for New York State Dam Limited Partnership (licensee) to provide passage for adult blueback herring at the New York State Dam Hydroelectric Project. In a letter dated April 9, 1993, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) recommended that the licensee operate its existing fish bypass to provide downstream fish passage for migrating adult blueback herring in the Mohawk River.

Article 15 of the project license requires the licensee, for the conservation and development of fish resources, operate project facilities as may be ordered by the Commission upon its own motion or upon the recommendation of the Secretary of Interior, after notice and opportunity for hearing.

In summary, the DEA examines the environmental impacts of four alternatives for providing downstream fish passage for adult blueback herring at the project: (1) continuous flow; (2) summer operation; (3) spill; and (4) noaction. These alternatives are described in detail on pages five and six of the DEA.

The DEA recommends that the licensee operate its fish bypass in accordance with the summer operation alternative. The DEA concludes that implementation of this alternative would not constitute a major federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment.

This DEA was written by staff in the Office of Hydropower Licensing (OHL). As such, the DEA is OHL staff's preliminary analysis of FWS's recommendation for downstream passage of adult blueback herring. No final conclusions have been made by the Commission regarding this matter. Any action, pursuant to article 15, will be initiated by the Commission only after notice and opportunity for hearing.

Should you wish to provide comments on the DEA, they should be filed within 60 days from the date of this notice. Comments should be addressed to: Ms. Lois D. Cashell, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E. Washington, D.C. 20426. Please include the project number (7481-068) on any comments filed.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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Notice of Intent to Prepare an **Environmental Assessment**

June 14, 1996.

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection:

a. Application Type: Proposed Measures and Schedule for Improving the Seismic Stability of Butt Valley and Canyon Dams.

b. Project No: 2105-037.

c. Date Filed: June 13, 1996.

d. Licensee: Pacific Gas and Electric Company.

e. Name of Project: Upper North Fork Feather River Project.

f. Location: Butt Creek, Lake Alamanor, and Butt Valley Reservoir, in Plumas County, California.

g. Filed Pursuant to: Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. § 791(a)-825(r).

h. License Contact: Mr. Jeffrey D. Butler, Manager—Hydro Generation, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, P.O. Box 770000, Mail Code N11C, San Francisco, CA 94177, (415) 973-4603.

i. FERC Contact: Dr. John M. Mudre, (202) 219 - 1208

j. Comment Date: July 5, 1996.

k. Project Description: Pacific Gas and Electric Company, licensee for the Upper North Fork Feather River Project (FERC No. 2105), has filed plans for remedial work to be conducted to improve the seismic stability of the project's Canyon and Butt Valley Dams. The filing includes a description of, and proposed measures to mitigate, the environmental impacts of the proposed work. These impacts may result from the temporary drawdown of Butt Valley Reservoir, temporary restrictions on public access to the area, and construction activities. Staff intends to prepare an environmental assessment (EA) on the licensee's plans for remedial work and environmental mitigation. Comments are invited on the licensee's plans and the appropriate scope of the

l. This notice also consists of the following standard paragraphs: B, C1, and D2.

B. Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene—Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, .211, .214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests or other comments filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified comment date for the particular application.

C1. Filing and Service of Responsive Documents—Any filings must bear in all capital letters the title

"COMMENTS" "RECOMMENDATIONS FOR TERMS AND CONDITIONS", "PROTESTS", or "MOTION TO INTERVENE", as applicable, and the Project Number of the particular application to which the filing refers. Any of the above-named